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To whom it may concern,

I write to you expressing the utmost concern for the continual amendment's and extensions of the Covid 19 pandemic response that have resulted in the continual deprivation of the liberties of all Queensland residents. As we enter our third year of this "pandemic" with a 90%+ vaccination rate, hospital funding increases beyond the realm of normality and the variant of omicron which has proven to be less deadly than the common flu one can only shake their head at the proposed legislation that would allow the state government to deny citizens their bodily autonomy, freedom of movement and right to earn a living in their own words due to "potential future outbreaks". A potential future outbreak is not a state of emergency, the potential for future outbreaks in not worthy of powers that squash the human rights act and I can't believe I have to write this email. If not now then when will the powers be released? At what point will this power drunk state government release the emergency powers that allow them to rule by decree? What are the specific grounds for the end of the emergency? Why has that continuously changed upon the reaching of targets? Where is the modelling and why isn't it accessible to the public? Egypt entered a state of emergency in 1981 and it wasn't until 2012 that the powers were released, the powers like ours were supposed to be time limited but were continually extended resulting in the erosion of the liberties and quality of life of the Egyptian citizens and it is fast becoming a reality in qld that we suffer the same fate as our state government desperately continues to try hang on to a crisis by "potential future events". Where in the public health act are potential future events deemed to be an emergency situation? How many more Queenslanders have to kill themselves, be deprived of a right to earn a living and have freedom of association before these powers are forcefully ripped from the hands of the state government? In allowing these powers to continue you condemn children to a life of poverty, toddlers to developmental issues, families to homelessness and men to suicide. Public health is a broad spectrum and multi-faceted it needs to be treated as such. The world no longer needs to revolve around Covid 19. Like the rest of the world has realised, it's time to move on, it's time to trust the people to make their own choices, it's time to give up the power that has turned this state into a dictatorship.

Regards Cameron Maltby

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